

## CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A mailbox signal flag mounting apparatus, comprising:

a stem having a mounting aperture;

a detachable stop tab attached to said stem; and

a detachable bushing [attached] connected to said stem by two breakable plastic connectors.

2. (Currently amended) A replacement mailbox signal flag, comprising:

a stem having a mounting aperture;

a detachable stop tab attached to said stem;

a detachable bushing [attached] connected to said stem by two breakable plastic connectors; and

a flag portion attached to the distal end of said stem in relation to the mounting aperture.

3. (New) A replacement mailbox signal flag, comprising:

a stem having a mounting aperture portion and a flag portion;

a two part detachable stop tab, the first part breakably connected to said stem and the second part breakably connected to said first part; and

a detachable bushing breakably connected to said stem.